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Applicants: Tina L. BRAMLETT et al.      Docket No.: SNR.P.2220 B  
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Filed: February 5, 2004      Group Art Unit: 1774  
For: AN EXTERIOR FINISHING SYSTEM INCLUDING A BOND-  
COMPATIBLE COMPOSITE MEMBRANE

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF TELEPHONIC INTERVIEWS

To the Honorable Commissioner For Patents:

The PTO mailed an Office Action on the present application on December 19, 2005.

The present application is being examined by Examiner Merrick Dixon.

One of Applicants' attorneys, Mr. Salvatore A. Sidoti, contacted Examiner Dixon on February 15, 2006 and March 16, 2006 to seek clarification of the 35 U.S.C. §112 rejections of claims 2-19.

During the February 15, 2006 telephone conversation, Mr. Sidoti advised Examiner Dixon that the Applicants were willing to make the suggested amendment to claim 1 (See Office Action, Page 2, Paragraph 3). Mr. Sidoti, however, sought further clarification regarding the 35 U.S.C. §112 rejections of claims 2-19. Mr. Sidoti advised Examiner Dixon that it Applicants' position that since there are no art rejections set forth in the Office Action, claims 2-19 do not require further amendment to include limitations from the base claim.

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Examiner Dixon informed Mr. Sidoti that he would review the §112 rejections of claims 2-19 and provide clarification. Mr. Sidoti placed a follow up telephone call to Examiner Dixon on March 16, 2006. During the March 16, 2006 telephone interview, further clarification was not provided and Mr. Sidoti was instructed to file a Response to the Office Action detailing Applicants legal position regarding the §112 rejection of claims 2-19.

No agreement regarding the patentability of the pending claims was reached during either of the telephone interviews.

No other claims were discussed during the February 15, 2006 and March 16, 2006 telephonic interviews.

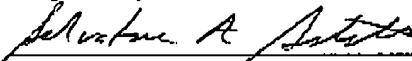
No prior art was discussed during the February 15, 2006 and March 16, 2006 telephonic interviews.

No other matters were discussed during the February 15, 2006 and March 16, 2006 telephonic interviews.

Applicants respectfully submit that this statement accurately reflects the substance of the telephone interviews between Examiner Dixon and Mr. Sidoti.

Should the Examiner have any questions, Applicants' undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,



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